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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1.	This is a petition for	an extension of time	for a total period of one month to resp	ond to the
	Office Action dated	September 2, 2004.	being of one mount to tes	hourd to tite
2.	Applicant is	a small entity:	other than a small entity.	•
3.	Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):			
	Total Months	Fee For Other	Fee for	
	Requested	Than Small Entity	Small Entity	
\bowtie	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00	
Ц	two months	\$430.00	\$215.00	•
	three months	\$980.00	\$490,00	
	four months	\$1,530.00	\$765.00	
	five months*	\$2,080.00	\$1.040.00	
*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action				
\square	A check in the amour	it of \$ is enclosed.	•	•
	Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee. Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.			
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Respectfully submitted,

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